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SUMMERTON NEWS

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We have been reading a great deal about the economical situation of our great Southland and what is best to undertake. This may be good "dope" but as a matter of fact none of us really know what to undertake for himself or what to advise his fellow-man to undertake. While we very much admire a man of grit and courage and people who live on the optimistic side of life, but as a matter of fact we do not see much glory for any one from a financial standpoint in the next year or so. No sensible man believes the boll weevil to be a thing of the past, consequently we cannot hope for much in the way of the crop which has always been our money crop and it is hardly probable that we are going to guess just what will take the place of the cotton as a money crop. It is a certainty that we must first learn what is best adapted to our soil, and to do this will require some experimenting which means considerable and perhaps might mean still greater losses than the average farmer might think just at this time.

We remember a story about an old doctor who was going to examine a bunch of medical students and after getting the body of students together he asked what they would do in case some serious disease should develop and they were called, and it is said that the young students began to outline what they would do, some said one thing, some another; the old doctor told them then the first thing to do was to first get to the patient and learn the cold facts and then get down to business.

Today we have demonstration agents, governors, college presidents, United States Senators telling us what to do. But what our people need, if we know anything in the world is how to do some of the things that are being told. For instance we are told to keep at least one good milk cow, one brood sow, sow wheat, oats and other grains, but how in the world are these farmers going to get these cows, hogs and grain for planting when as a matter of absolute facts they did not make enough cotton this year to much more than pay their taxes and, really, in some instances, not even that much. No, we are not begging for ourselves or any one else, but if we are to do these things which we all no doubt agree as the sensible thing there must be a spirit of co-operation among those who have the "dough" and among those who need the hogs, cows, seed etc. or else we fear that lands will lay idle, our labor will be forced to hunt new quarters and when things get good it might be a hard proposition to get our good natured, good workers back into our midst. So in order to help the land renters and contract hands alone let the landlord take some of all the crops grown as rental, thereby showing his willingness to share the difficulties now confronting our agriculture interest and you will see a new spirit among the laboring class of people.

Miss Mary Clara Peterson of Wilmington, N. C., is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. M. Searborough.

Miss Allen Ridgill, who has been spending some time with friends in North Carolina, has returned home.

Capt. and Mrs. J. A. James were called to the bedside of their son, Capt. Capers James at Fredericksburg, Va., Saturday morning. A later report says that Capt. James underwent an operation for appendicitis and his condition is considered favorable.

Mr. W. J. Wilkie went to Atlanta, Ga., Monday night on business.

Mrs. P. J. Holliday is spending this week with friends in the upper part of the State.

Mrs. J. G. Senn who has been confined to her room for many months, died last Wednesday morning and was buried Thursday. Funeral took place at the Methodist Church, conducted by her pastor, Rev. T. E. Morris, assisted by Rev. Ansley of the

Baptist Church, interment at the Summerton cemetery. The pall bearers were some of her relatives and close friends: Messrs. H. A. Richbourg, T. C. Felder, George Kennedy, Peter Chewning, Miller Felder, Lawrence Chewning. The deceased was a consistent member of the Methodist Church and much loved by all who knew her she is survived by her husband, Capt. J. G. Senn, two daughters, Mrs. League of Newberry and Mrs. F. W. Josey of this place; one sister, Mrs. Peter Chewning of this place and one brother, Mr. W. H. Shuford of Pompano, Florida. The deceased was about seventy years old. Peace to her ashes and sympathy to her loved ones who mourn their loss.

The Lyceum course for Summerton under the supervision of the Redpath Lyceum System begins on the evening of November 17th with the Metropolitan Orchestra. The committee in charge of the course feels themselves fortunate in getting a Redpath Lyceum booked for the coming season as popular opinion holds that this system is the best on the forum today. They think that they have selected four of the best attractions put out by the system, in fact three of the numbers are or have been regularly working in conjunction with the big Redpath Chautauquas throughout the Southern States. With this fact alone in our minds we have evidence enough to reasonable believe that this will be the best course offered in Summerton in some time. The committee will put tickets on sale in the next few days at a reasonable price which will entitle all holders to all four attractions. Reserved seats may be secured at D. O. Rhame, Inc. The committee realizes that times are exceedingly hard and money is scarce, but ask all who are in position to do so to rally to the cause and help them make the course a success. The Lyceum courses are a series of good, clean, wholesome amusement for both young and old and stands for nothing other than the upbuilding of a community and the intellectual cultivation of everybody. The committee will appreciate your co-operation.

DEATH OF MR. H. E. JOHNSON

Died on October 21st, Mr. H. Elbert Johnson, age 26 years. He leaves to mourn his loss three children, a loving wife, father and mother, four brothers, four sisters and a host of friends.

Oh how we tried to save him, Prayers and tears were in vain, Happy angels came and took him, From this world of toil and pain.

You are not forgotten dear brother, Nor will you ever be As long as life and memory lasts, We will always think of thee.

TRESPASS NOTICE

All persons are warned that any trespassing on lands known as Benbow place is forbidden. Anyone disregarding this notice will be prosecuted to full extent of the law.

C. M. WILSON,
Summerton, S. C.

CITATION NOTICE

The State of South Carolina, County of Clarendon.

By J. M. Windham, Probate Judge:

Whereas, Herman L. Woodruff made suit to me to grant him Letters of Administration of the Estate and effects of Della Woodruff.

These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the Kindred and Creditors of the said Della Woodruff deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Manning on the 24th day of November next, after publication hereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand this 7th day of November, Anno Domini, 1921.

J. M. Windham,
Judge of Probate.



THE METROPOLITAN ORCHESTRA.

This orchestra was organized to meet the demand of committees who desire a company of the same type and character as the Roumanian and Bohemian orchestras which so delighted Redpath audiences in past seasons.

Six artists of attainment compose the Metropolitan Orchestra. Each

member of the company has a record of successful entertainment experience and is known both as an ensemble player and as an individual artist.

The program consists of both classical and popular selections in a delightful proportion. Instrumental sextets, quartets, trios, duos and solos are most effectively rendered.

It is a program that will surely please the entire audience.

SUMMERTON SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
November 17th, 8:15 P. M.
General Admission 75c School Children 50c

Shaw & McCollum Mercantile Co.

Are Offering Attractive Bargains for Fair Week Shoppers.

Coat Suits and Dresses

Coat Suits from ----- \$10.00 to \$50.00
Dresses from ----- \$10.00 to \$50.00

Skirts

French Serge Skirts from ----- \$5.00 to \$8.50
Prunella Skirts from ----- \$8.50 to \$15.00

Sweaters

Ladies' Sweaters from ----- \$2.50 to \$10.00
Children's Sweaters from ----- \$1.50 to \$5.00

Dress Goods

36-inch All Wool Storm Serge at ----- 75c
36-inch Heavy Wool Storm Serge at ----- \$1.00
44-inch All Wool, Sponged and Shrunk Serge \$1.50
46-inch Tricotine at ----- \$3.00
36-inch French Serge at ----- 75c
40-inch French Serge at ----- \$1.25
40-inch Heavy French Serge at ----- \$1.75

Silks

36-inch Satin at ----- \$1.75 and \$2.00
40-inch Charmeuse at ----- \$2.50
40-inch Canton Crepe at ----- \$3.50
40-inch Crepe de Chene at ----- \$2.00

Ladies' and Children's Shoes

A big line of Ladies' Shoes and Oxfords, going at from ----- \$3.00 to \$11.00
A big line of Children's Buster Brown Shoes.

Cotton Goods

Best Outing, in Lights and Darks, worth 20c, going at ----- 15c
36-inch Percales, in Light colors, worth 25c, at 15c
36-inch Extra Good Percale for ----- 25c
27-inch Dress Gingham, worth 18c, for ----- 12½c
27-inch Dress Gingham, worth 25c, for ----- 18c
32-inch Zephyr Dress Gingham at ----- 25c
36-inch Unbleached Sheetting, worth 18c, for 12½c
40-inch Unbleached Sheetting, worth 20c, for ----- 15c
36-inch Bleach, worth 15c, for ----- 12½c
36-inch Bleach, worth 18c, for ----- 15c
36-inch Bleach, worth 25c, for ----- 18c
36-inch Cambrie, worth 25c, for ----- 18c
Wear Well Sheets, with Tape Selvedge, worth \$2.00, for ----- \$1.50
Wear Well 9-4 Bleach Sheetting, worth 65, going at ----- 55c
Wear Well 10-4 Bleach Sheetting, worth 75c, going for ----- 60c
72-inch Unbleached Sheetting, worth 45c, for ----- 35c
9-4 Unbleached Sheetting, worth 60c, for ----- 50c
10-4 Unbleached Sheetting, worth 65c, for ----- 55c
72-inch Extra Heavy Table Damask, worth \$1.00, going for ----- 75c

Hosiery

Wool Hose from ----- \$1.00 to \$2.50
Silk Hose from ----- 50c to \$3.50
A big line of Buster Brown Hose for Ladies and Children.

All Wool Blankets

All Wool Blankets, worth \$12.00, for ----- \$7.98

Shaw & McCollum Mercantile Co.

11 So. Main Street.

SUMTER, S. C.

Telephone No. 68

HER LOVE IS SUFFICIENT FOR ME

"When I'm sad, burden, and weary
From bondage I longed to be free
There came to my heart the sweet
message;
"Her love is sufficient for me."

"Soon will this warfare be over
My darling face to face I shall be,
She'll prove as I stand in her presence,
"Her love was sufficient for me."

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We are proud of the confidence doctors, druggists and the public have in 666 Chill and Fever Tonic.

COTTON—Shipped to BATTEY & CO., The Proficient Cotton Factors of Savannah, Ga., yields satisfaction as is evidenced by the large volume of business entrusted to them. Isn't it to your interest to try them? Do it now and be convinced. Nov. 30-c.

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Rub-My-Tism is a great pain killer. Relieves pain and soreness, Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Sprains, etc.

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Rub-My-Tism is a powerful antiseptic. Cures infected cuts, old sores, tetter, etc.

BATTEY & CO.—The large and reliable cotton factors of Savannah, Ga., offer a service that combines long and successful experience, expert salesmanship and financial soundness. Nov. 30-c.

WANTED—Man with car to sell low priced Graham Tires. \$130.00 per week and commissions. Graham Tire Co., 3129 Boulevard, Benton Harbor, Mich. 1tp

666 cures Malaria, Chills and Fever, Bilious Fever, Colds and LaGrippe, or money refunded.

FOR RENT—Well arranged 4-room house on large lot. Splendid neighborhood. Phone 226.

To abort a cold
and prevent complications take

Calotabs

The purified and refined calomet tablets that are nausealess, safe and sure.

Vest pocket size, 10c; large family package, 35c. Beware of imitations.

Some Facts About Our Taxation Problem

Editor Manning Times,
Manning, S. C.

Dear Sir:—

I understand that since the sending out of the cards by the Town Equalization Board showing raises in the returns of the taxpayers, there has been considerable dissatisfaction, and as public servants, the Town Council deems it proper to set the situation before our citizens. Let me say at the outset that I have never yet heard of a perfectly equal and exact system of taxation, for the reason that the judgment of any two Boards passing on the value of a man's property invariably varies. But when Council selects from the citizens of the town from year to year, men whom they regard as honest, square and level-headed, to assess and equalize your taxes they should not be ignorantly condemned, when I know they have done their best; in many cases visiting the property in person that their judgment might be as near right as possible, and all this without a cent of pay.

Again, let me say, that it should make, and there is, no difference to the individual taxpayer whether he pays on a high assessment or a low assessment, if his taxes are honestly administered. What does he care whether he pays 20 mills on a piece of property assessed at \$1000.00, or 15 mills on the same piece of property assessed at \$2000.00? His taxes are the same. I can see, however, where the taxpayer's town would be greatly helped by a high assessment and low levy. Where would a stranger with money to in-

vest, from say Illinois, where they have something like actual value assessments and low levys, and where they know nothing of our silly system of low assessments and high levys, likely settle in a town with a 30 mill levy or a 15 mill levy? A child can answer. Furthermore, the law of the land is, that all property shall be returned at its actual value, and the citizen violates his oath when he returns it on any other basis, notwithstanding the custom has grown up all over the State to return property at from 15 per cent to 20 per cent of its value.

Now last year the property of the town was assessed at 50 per cent of its actual value—this year at something like its actual value. Last year things were booming; today property has depreciated in value, so you cannot arbitrarily say that if you divide your assessment this year by two, your taxes ought not to be any more than they were last year. This might be true if property today was of the same value it was last year, but it is not. Again the Boards that passed on your returns this year are not the same as last year, and their judgment as to the value of your property no doubt differed.

Or again, your property may not have been properly equalized last year, and you did not pay your fair share of the taxes as compared with your neighbor, so, it does not follow if you pay more this year any great injustice has been done you.

Be this as it may, I for one think the men who did this thankless job did their best, and I am backing them to the limit.

Now to run your Town Government and pay debts contracted for takes money.

The town can only get this money by taxation, hence, the levy this year of 13 mills on assessment of \$2,083,362.96, which will yield \$27,083.71, applied as follows:

By yield from 13 mill levy		\$27,083.71
To interest and Sinking Fund on \$100,000.00, paying bonds, 4 mills	\$8,333.45	
To interest and Sinking Fund on \$40,000.00, water and sewer bonds, 1½ mills	\$3,125.04	
To amount applicable to an indebtedness today of \$16,941.64, and run the Town Government until next April 7½ mills	\$15,625.22	
TOTAL	\$27,083.71	\$27,083.71
Let us see how we will stand on April 1st next the end of our year.		
To indebtedness today		\$16,941.64
To cost of running town at \$1000.00 per month	\$5,000.00	
To interest on above until April 1, around	\$875.00	
To interest on money that will have to be borrowed to pay Coupons on Bonds because of paying taxes in installments, around	\$672.00	
By taxes raised by 7½ mill levy	\$15,625.22	
By street tax at \$4.00 on 275 persons liable	\$1,100.00	
By amount to balance	\$6,763.42	
	\$23,488.64	\$23,488.64

The above shows that on April 1st next, with all taxes collected, we will still be in debt \$6,763.42, with only the fines and licenses to be collected between now and then, for the new Council to run the town on until taxes are again collected.

We have cut the expenses of the town to the bone thereby saving around \$2500.00. Some seem to think that we can safely get rid of a policeman. The Council does not think so. You know with our new paving—the necessity of keeping leaves and trash out of drains—the constant watching of the sewers to avoid stoppage—the looking after tools, machinery etc., we think it would be very foolish to save \$1200.00 by cutting off a policeman and very likely have to spend several thousand dollars to unstop one of our sewers. As a matter of fact, this Council had to spend around \$1000.00 in unstopping the sewer on Church Street, according to my information.

Moreover, all men know that two men cannot successfully manage a street force—one giving orders today that may be changed tomorrow, and we think it would be very difficult to get any policeman to do all night work to avoid this. It is also evident that there could be only imperfect supervision of street hands with his other duties, and there would necessarily be less efficient service and loss to town in amount of work done, and certainly a less clean town, and more law violation.

We have one of the best paved towns in the State, for its size. This cost money and now must be paid for. If we fail to collect taxes to meet interest coupons—if we fail to gradually pay off our indebtedness, the credit of the town will be irretrievably ruined. We are not willing to do our town this injury, and do not believe the thoughtful citizens of the town would have us do it.

We are also citizens, having to pay taxes just as you do, and it is inconceivable in these kind of times that we would put more taxes on ourselves than is absolutely necessary to run the town.

Fellow citizens, we have eaten our candy and we must now pay for it.

Respectfully,
W. C. DAVIS, Mayor.